

$$\Rightarrow \text{phase factor} = \exp \left[-\frac{\hbar}{h} m_n g l_2 \sin \delta \cdot \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{travel time along BD}}}{T} \right]$$

$$T = \frac{l_1}{v_n} \approx l_1 / \frac{\hbar}{m\lambda}$$

$$\parallel \lambda : \text{de Broglie wavelength} \\ = \frac{\hbar}{p} = \frac{\hbar}{m v_n}$$

② Back to the EM fields : a charged particle in the EM-fields.

- Review on the classical mechanics. a charge $\begin{cases} \text{if it's electron,} \\ e < 0 \end{cases}$

i) Lagrangian :
$$L = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{\vec{x}}^2 - e\phi + \frac{e}{c} \dot{\vec{x}} \cdot \vec{A}(\vec{x}, t)$$

EOM :
$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

$$\underbrace{m\dot{x}_i + \frac{e}{c} A_i}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ -e \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_i} + \sum_j \frac{e}{c} \dot{x}_j \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i}}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m\ddot{x}_i + \frac{e}{c} \left(\frac{\partial A_i}{\partial t} + \sum_j \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x_j} \dot{x}_j \right) + e \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_i} - \sum_j \frac{e}{c} \dot{x}_j \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

$$m\ddot{x}_i = -e \left[\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_i} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial t} \right] + \frac{e}{c} \sum_j \left[\dot{x}_j \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} - \dot{x}_i \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_j} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(\nabla \phi + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t} \right)_i \\ &= (-\vec{E})_i \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} &= \dot{x}_j \epsilon_{ijk} (\nabla \times \vec{A})_k \\ &= \left(\dot{\vec{x}} \times \vec{B} \right)_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow m\ddot{\vec{x}} = e\vec{E} + \frac{e}{c} \dot{\vec{x}} \times \vec{B}$$

The Lagrangian is verified.

ii) Hamiltonian $H(\vec{x}, \vec{p}; t) = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{\dot{\phi}} - L(\vec{x}, \vec{\dot{x}}; t)$

canonical momentum $\vec{p}_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} = m \dot{x}_i + \frac{e}{c} A_i$

kinematical momentum
(mechanical) $\dot{x}_i = \frac{1}{m} \left(p_i - \frac{e}{c} A_i \right)$!

$$H = \frac{1}{m} \left(p_i - \frac{e}{c} A_i \right) p_i - \frac{1}{2} m \left[\frac{1}{m} \left(p_i - \frac{e}{c} A_i \right) \right]^2 + e\phi$$

$$= \frac{e}{c} \frac{1}{m} \left(p_i - \frac{e}{c} A_i \right) \cdot A_i \quad \parallel \sum_i \text{ is omitted.}$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \frac{1}{2m} \left[\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} \right]^2 + e\phi$$

↕ correspondence.

Quantum Mechanics

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} \left[\vec{\tilde{p}} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} \right]^2 + e\phi$$

This is an operator, too.

- EOM: (Heisenberg picture).

$$\frac{d\tilde{x}_i}{dt} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\tilde{x}_i, H] = \frac{1}{m} (\tilde{p}_i - \frac{e}{c} A_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow m \frac{d\tilde{x}}{dt} = \vec{\tilde{p}} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} \equiv \vec{\pi} \quad (\text{kinematic momentum})$$

So far, so good. Nothing's strange!

But, it's QM: There should be something strange!

- Commutation relation

$$[\tilde{x}_i, \tilde{x}_j] = 0, \quad [\tilde{p}_i, \tilde{p}_j] = 0, \quad \text{but } [\tilde{p}_i, A_j] = -i\hbar \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [\pi_i, \pi_j] = [\tilde{p}_i - \frac{e}{c} A_i, \tilde{p}_j - \frac{e}{c} A_j]$$

$$= -\frac{e}{c} [\tilde{p}_i, A_j] - \frac{e}{c} [A_i, \tilde{p}_j] = \frac{e}{c} ([\tilde{p}_j, A_i] - [\tilde{p}_i, A_j])$$

$$= \frac{i\hbar e}{c} [\partial_i A_j - \partial_j A_i] = \frac{i\hbar e}{c} \sum_{ijk} \epsilon_{ijk} B_k$$

$$\therefore [\pi_i, \pi_j] = \frac{i\hbar e}{c} \sum_{ijk} \epsilon_{ijk} B_k \quad \star$$

yes, it starts from here.

$$m \frac{d^2 \vec{x}}{dt^2} = e \vec{E} + \frac{e}{c} \left(\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} \times \vec{B} \right) \rightarrow \text{EOM: } m \frac{d^2 \vec{x}}{dt^2} = \frac{d\vec{\pi}}{dt} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\vec{\pi}, H]$$

$$= e \vec{E} + \frac{e}{c} \left(\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} \times \vec{B} \right) : \leftrightarrow \text{classical}$$

$$+ \frac{i e \hbar}{2c} \nabla \times \vec{B} : \text{"Quantum effect"}$$

(absent when $\vec{B} = \text{const.}$)

Continuous. Energy ... Quantized.

(set by any initial conditions)

ex. 2DEG (2D electron gas)

$$\vec{B} = B \hat{z}, \vec{E} = 0.$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (\pi_x^2 + \pi_y^2)$$

← just like a simple harmonic oscillator!

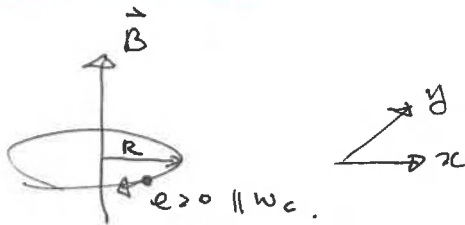
"Landau Levels"

$$\rightarrow E = \hbar \omega_c \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\parallel \omega_c = \frac{eB}{mc} : \text{cyclotron freq.}$$

ex. 2D,

$$\vec{B} = B \hat{z}, \vec{E} = 0$$



$R = \text{continuous};$
it grows continuously as the energy grows.

$$\omega_c = \frac{eB}{mc} \quad (\text{CGS unit}).$$

.... Motion Quantized.
(orbit)

$$\rightarrow \frac{d\pi_x}{dt} = \omega_c \pi_y, \quad \frac{d\pi_y}{dt} = -\omega_c \pi_x$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{x}(t) = \tilde{x}_0 - \frac{1}{m\omega_c} \pi_y(t)$$

$$\tilde{y}(t) = \tilde{y}_0 + \frac{1}{m\omega_c} \pi_x(t)$$

↳ operators, but constants of motion

$$!!! [\tilde{x}_0, \tilde{y}_0] = -i l_B^2 \parallel l_B = \sqrt{\hbar/m\omega_c}$$

: magnetic length.

$$\text{But, } [H, \tilde{x}_0] = 0$$

$$[H, \tilde{y}_0] = 0$$

→ \tilde{x}_0, \tilde{y}_0 are time-invariant.

$$\Rightarrow R^2 = [x(t) - x_0]^2 + [y(t) - y_0]^2$$

$$= \frac{2}{m\omega_c^2} H \quad !!!$$

$$\langle R^2 \rangle_n = (2n+1) l_B^2 : \text{quantized!}$$

→ The radius grows as \sqrt{n} .

Gauge invariance ; Gauge Transformation

For $\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$, $\vec{A}_1 = (-\frac{B}{2}y, \frac{B}{2}x, 0)$

and $\vec{A}_2 = (-By, 0, 0)$,

Both give the same $\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}_{1,2} = B\hat{z}$.

There's some freedom to choose "gauge".

\rightarrow Gauge transformation $\vec{A}_2 = \vec{A}_1 - \nabla \left(\frac{Bxy}{2} \right)$, here.

In general, $\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda$.

\rightarrow Q. How does this gauge transformation changes the quantum dynamics of a particle in \vec{B} ?

- Expectation values ~~are~~ ^{have to be!} invariant.

$$\langle \alpha | \tilde{x}_i | \alpha \rangle = \langle \alpha' | \tilde{x}_i' | \alpha' \rangle \dots (*) \quad || \quad |\alpha'\rangle = \boxed{g} |\alpha\rangle$$

$$\langle \alpha | \pi_i | \alpha \rangle = \langle \alpha' | \pi_i' | \alpha' \rangle \dots (**)$$

(primed is associated with \vec{A}' , unprimed is with \vec{A} .)

Q. Is there such g op.?

- The form of the Schrödinger eq. has to be invariant.

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2m} (\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A})^2 |\alpha, t\rangle = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\alpha, t\rangle \quad || \quad \begin{aligned} \vec{A} &\equiv \vec{A}(\vec{x}) \\ \Lambda &\equiv \Lambda(\vec{x}) \\ \phi &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

and $\frac{1}{2m} (\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}')^2 |\alpha', t\rangle = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\alpha', t\rangle$

In \vec{x} -representation,

$$\frac{1}{2m} (-i\hbar \nabla - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}(\vec{x}))^2 \langle \vec{x} | \alpha, t \rangle = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \vec{x} | \alpha, t \rangle$$

\uparrow all effects of a \vec{B} -field are here!

Maybe, we can treat this equation as if

it's about a particle in no \vec{B} -field by $\nabla_{\text{new}} = \nabla - \frac{ie}{\hbar c} \vec{A}$.

So, one may think that the continuity equation 70

may be written as

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \left(\nabla - \frac{ie}{\hbar c} \vec{A} \right) \cdot \vec{J} = 0$$

But, THIS IS
WRONG!

$$\rho = |\psi|^2$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0 \text{ has to be invariant.}$$

\rightarrow This is divergence, not an operator,
(physically)

$$\text{Instead, } \vec{J} = \frac{\hbar}{m} \text{Im}[\psi^* \nabla_{\text{new}} \psi]$$

\uparrow This is "momentum".

$$= \frac{\hbar}{m} \text{Im}[\psi^* \nabla \psi] - \frac{e}{mc} \vec{A} |\psi|^2$$

an extra term!

\rightarrow So, the current density depends on the choice of \vec{A} ! ! ?
: it shouldn't! ✖

If we use a general form of the wave function,

$$\psi(x) \equiv \sqrt{\rho(x)} \exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar} S\right], \quad \text{"phase"}$$

$$\vec{J} = \frac{\rho}{m} \left(\nabla S - \frac{eA}{c} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } A=0, \quad \vec{J} &= \frac{\rho}{m} \nabla S \quad \nearrow m\vec{v} \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{m} \text{Im}[\psi^* \nabla \psi] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{When } \vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda,$$

$$S \rightarrow S' = S + \frac{e}{c} \Lambda,$$

\rightarrow This makes \vec{J}
gauge-invariant.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{meaning that } \psi'(x) &= \sqrt{\rho(x)} \exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar} S\right] \exp\left[\frac{ie}{\hbar c} \Lambda\right] \\ &= \exp\left[\frac{ie}{\hbar c} \Lambda\right] \psi(x) \end{aligned}$$

If we set

$$\text{So } |\alpha'\rangle = G |\alpha\rangle, \quad G = \exp\left[\frac{ie}{\hbar c} \Lambda(\vec{x})\right]$$

You can check if (*) and (**) are hold.

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(*) ... $G^\dagger \vec{X} G = \vec{X}' = \vec{X}$: obvious. (The position operator is the position operator.

(**) ... $G^\dagger (\vec{P} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} - \frac{e}{c} \nabla \Lambda) G = \vec{P} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}$

• $\vec{A}(\vec{x}), \Lambda(\vec{x})$ commute with $G(\vec{x})$.

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot e^{-\frac{ie\Lambda}{\hbar c}} \vec{P} e^{\frac{ie\Lambda}{\hbar c}} &= e^{-\frac{ie\Lambda}{\hbar c}} [\vec{P}, e^{\frac{ie\Lambda}{\hbar c}}] + \vec{P} \\ &= e^{-\frac{ie\Lambda}{\hbar c}} (-i\hbar \nabla) e^{\frac{ie\Lambda}{\hbar c}} + \vec{P} \\ &= \vec{P} + \frac{e}{c} \nabla \Lambda(\vec{x}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow G^\dagger (\vec{P} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} - \frac{e}{c} \nabla \Lambda) G = \vec{P} + \cancel{\frac{e}{c} \nabla \Lambda} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} - \cancel{\frac{e}{c} \nabla \Lambda}$$

(try with H by yourself : $G^\dagger H G$) #

Indeed, $|\alpha'\rangle = \exp \left[\frac{ie}{\hbar c} \Lambda(\vec{x}) \right] |\alpha\rangle$

: The gauge transformation, $\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{A} + \nabla \Lambda$,

introduces an extra phase factor! in $\psi(x)$;

by changing \vec{A} , one may expect some interferences due to the difference bet. the accumulated phases
(\vec{B} = same)

• Example 1: The Aharonov-Bohm effect

" $\vec{B}=0$ does not necessarily mean $\vec{A}=0$."

